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# Mrs. Rose Halprin To Address Combined Appeal Keynote Dinner On Sunday Night

### INITIAL RESPONSE ENCOURAGING

## Co-Chairmen Call For Maximum Effort To Raise Minimum of \$257,000 For C.I.O.A.

A. Louis Achbar and Arnold Lithwick, general co-chairmen of the Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal have issued a stirring call for maximum support on the eve of the official opening of the 1966 Campaign.

"The Ottawa Jewish Community must raise at least \$257,000," they said, "as our share of the cost of saving lives, moving immigrants to Israel, for integration, training and absorption and for relief and rehabilitation in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East."

"A monumental task faces our agencies," they continued. "Unless we participate as full partners in the greatest social experiment of all time, the cost in human misery and suffering will be staggering."

At the same time, Mr. Achbar and Mr. Lithwick expressed their appreciation to the donors who have already made their pledges at the two pre-campaign functions held at the home of Mr. Lawrence Freiman and at the Jewish Community Centre. Almost \$100,000 has been raised so far, representing an increase of over \$19,000 for Israel and overseas needs. They termed this decided trend towards increased giving as "most encouraging".

The warm initial response comes at a most opportune time. This is the first campaign in fifteen years that is specifically earmarked for the vital programs of the United Israel Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee, United Jewish Relief Agencies, Israel Histadrut Campaign, Mizrahi Israel Appeal and Youth Aliyah.

Another first introduced this year is the inclusion of the Histadrut Campaign as a participating agency. The Histadrut has



A. Louis Achbar



Arnold Lithwick

conducted independent campaigns in Ottawa for many years and the individual amounts subscribed in the past should be taken into account by donors when establishing their total gifts to the 1966 Campaign.

The cessation of West German reparations payments has added a major dimension to the importance of achieving the campaign goal. These payments began in 1954 and their termination will seriously handicap the work of the Jewish Agency and the Joint Distribution Committee unless the Jews of the free world make up the losses.

Israel's open door immigration policy offers a haven for all who wish to come. The immigrants in turn provide the skills and manpower essential to the young

democracy's growth and eventual self-sufficiency.

Every aspect of immigrant absorption is under heavy pressure as the stream of penniless newcomers continues to pour in for the sixth successive year. Food, housing, medical care and job training facilities already at the breaking point must be provided.

A heavy backlog of absorption needs already exists among immigrants of previous years. In addition, funds for the basic necessities of life are drastically needed for over 300,000 men, women and children in thirty countries other than Israel.

The campaign co-chairmen have asked workers and supporters to "take it as a personal challenge to meet the quota for Ottawa."

The Ottawa Jewish Community will have the privilege of meeting Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, the colourful and dynamic chairman of the Jewish Agency — American Section at the Keynote Dinner of the Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal on Sunday evening, June 12 at the Jewish Community Centre. A reception in her honour will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00. Dress is optional with the majority expected in black tie.

Known the world over for her eloquence, wit and ability, Mrs. Halprin comes to Ottawa for the first time to address the major public function of the 1966 Campaign. The Keynote Dinner marks the official opening of the Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal which seeks to raise a minimum of \$257,000 for vital needs in Israel and overseas lands.

The evening will also be a gala celebration of the 18th Anniversary of Israel's Independence and a demonstration of solidarity and support for the people of Israel. Tickets are \$5 per person and may be obtained from the co-chairmen of the Ticket Committee, Nathan and David Zelikovitz.

Tickets are also available from the presidents of Ottawa Council of Hadassah, Mizrahi Women's Organization, Pioneer Women's Organization, Zionist Society of Ottawa, Mizrahi Men's Organization, Labour Zionist Council and campaign headquarters, 151 Chapel St.

Geula Zohar, Israel's famed folksinger will entertain that evening with an exciting program of Israeli and international songs. A third generation Sabra, Miss Zohar has won the admiration of large audiences in her concert tours of the United States, Canada and Australia.

Vivacious and versatile, Miss Zohar has a beautiful voice which has a far-reaching range. She sings in several languages, bringing to each a unique interpretation and the charm of her own personality.

One of the outstanding leaders of American Jewish life and in the Zionist movement, Mrs. Halprin has served as chairman of the Jewish Agency — American Section for six years and as national president of Hadassah from 1932 to 1934 and from 1947 to 1951.

First elected to the Jewish Agency Executive in 1946, she participated actively in the national and international negotiations which led to the establishment of the State of Israel. She is also chairman of the Agency's Department of Education and Culture.

Mrs. Halprin is co-chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists, honorary vice-president of Hadassah; and member of the boards of the United Jewish Appeal of New York, the American Zionist Youth Foundation and the Jewish National Fund.

The daughter of a Hebrew scholar, Mrs. Halprin attended the Teachers' Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary as well as Hunter College and Columbia University.

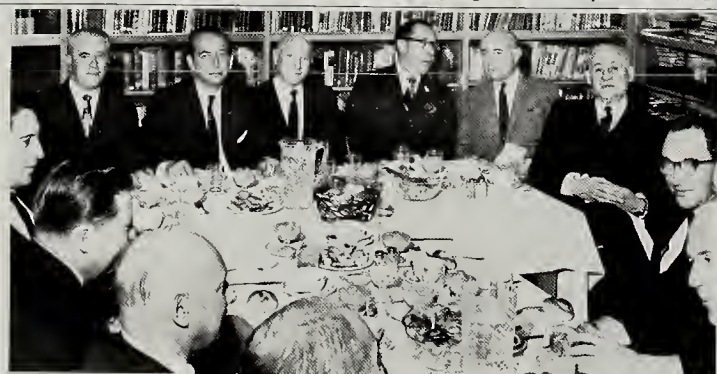
She has played an active role in the deliberations of World Zionist



Mrs. Rose L. Halprin



Geula Zohar



Waeli Perry, member of the Jewish Agency Executive and deputy-chairman of the Keren Hayesod — United Israel Appeal in Jerusalem is shown at the opening luncheon of the campaign at the Jewish Community Centre. He is flanked by Arnold Lithwick, A. Louis Achbar, Lawrence Freiman and Alex Betchermon. Part of the rest of the group present and discernible are David Zelikovitz, Emmanuel M. Glatt, John Greenberg, Gordon Raston, David Golden, Hyman Bessin and on out-of-town guest.

Congresses, of the Zionist General Council and in national and international Zionist bodies.

Deeply concerned with the relations between Israel and the Diaspora and with the future of Jewish education, she has contributed much to the thinking of experts and laymen concerned with these issues.

The Jewish Agency is charged with the responsibility of administering the program of immigration, settlement and absorption of newcomers to Israel. It also conducts a cultural and educational program throughout the rest of the world.



## Hardship - And Its Alternative

All over the world — in Israel... in Europe... in the Middle East... Jewish refugees who have already suffered too much, face further hardships. More than three-quarters of a million men, women and children who depend on the Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal for their sustenance, their very lives, are threatened again.

Since 1939, we have helped to rescue and rehabilitate 3,000,000 distressed and uprooted Jews. While this task has never been easy, there have been times when it was made most difficult because there was less money to carry out the many vital aid programs in 31 countries of the world.

Now these programs are threatened as never before. Reparation payments from the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany have ceased after 12 years of payments. The Joint Distribution Committee, one of our major agencies, first felt the blow in 1965 with a cut of \$7,000,000 annually from its income. Now, the Jewish Agency for Israel, loses \$10,000,000 yearly due to the ending of Government-to-Government payments by West Germany to Israel. Never have aid budgets been more tragically undermined.

Think what the loss of income means in terms of human needs!

In Israel, it will affect every aspect of the Jewish Agency's immigrant absorption program — housing, schooling, training, health, social welfare and rehabilitation.

In Moslem countries, where youngsters are provided one nourishing meal a day at school, the already small amount of meat must be cut down in order to save two and a half cents a day per child.

In France, where Jewish refugees from North Africa live as many as ten to a room in squalid slums, less will be available for relief, for medical care, for decent houses for tens of thousands of refugees totally dependent on Joint Distribution Committee-United Jewish Relief Agencies aid.

There is only one alternative to the tragic outlook. Everyone will suffer *unless* the Jewish people of the free world, who have already done much for their unfortunate brothers, dedicate themselves this year to greater effort and increased giving to our community campaign.

This is a very big alternative. But the challenge is also very big. And so are the hearts of our people.

**To Give Life . . . Hope . . . and Freedom  
to hundreds of thousands around  
the world**

**THESE AGENCIES MUST HAVE  
AT LEAST \$257,000**

United Israel Appeal . . . . .	\$140,000
Joint Distribution Committee — United Jewish Relief Agencies . . . . .	70,000
Histadrut Campaign . . . . .	20,000
Youth Aliyah . . . . .	10,000
Shrinkage, Campaign Expenses and Year-Round Administration . . . . .	17,000

## Operating Divisions of the Campaign

DIVISION	CHAIRMAN
1. Special Names	Alex Betcherman
2. General Zionist	David Zelikovitz
3. Histadrut	Horry Shinder
4. Mizrochi	Hymon Bessin
5. Mercantile	Joe Feller
6. Medical — Dental	To be named.
7. Professions	To be named.
8. Public Service	Siman S. Reisman
9. Young Men's	Gordon Roston and Alfred Friedman
10. Women's	Mrs. Bert Krugel
11. Tickets	Nathan and David Zelikovitz

## Play Key Roles in Campaign Organization



Lawrence Freiman  
Honorary Chairman



Mervin Mirsky  
Honorary Vice-Chairman



Alex Betcherman  
Treasurer and Chairman,  
Special Names Committee



David Zelikovitz  
Vice-Chairman



Hymon Bessin  
Vice-Chairman



Hymon Saloway, Q.C.  
Vice-Chairman



Harry Goldstein  
Vice-Chairman



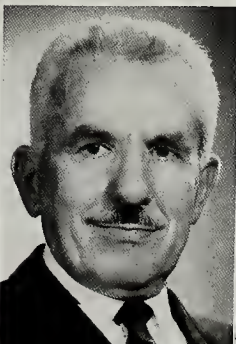
Gordon Roston  
Vice-Chairman



Mrs. Bert Krugel  
Chairman, Women's Division



Hugo Levendel  
Secretary



Harry Weidman  
Secretary

### NOTICE OF MEETING

#### Ottawa Hebrew Benevolent Society

The Annual Meeting of the Ottawa Hebrew Benevolent Society will take place on Tuesday, June 14, 1966 at 8:00 p.m., in the Jewish Community Centre.

Annual reports and financial statements will be presented, followed by the election of officers for the coming year.

Please accept this as the official notice of meeting. No cards are to be mailed this year. All are welcome.

Samuel Caplan,  
President.





EVERYONE HAS TO PITCH IN to get the work done at Nohalal, the excellent youth agricultural school maintained by Canadian Youth Aliyah money. Youth Aliyah is a beneficiary of our Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal.



THE LONG SLOW JOURNEY TO FREEDOM for these East European migrants has brought them to a transit centre, but it will be months before they can move on to a permanent home in the promised land. While they wait, the J.D.C./U.J.R.A. with the help of funds from our campaign must care for them.

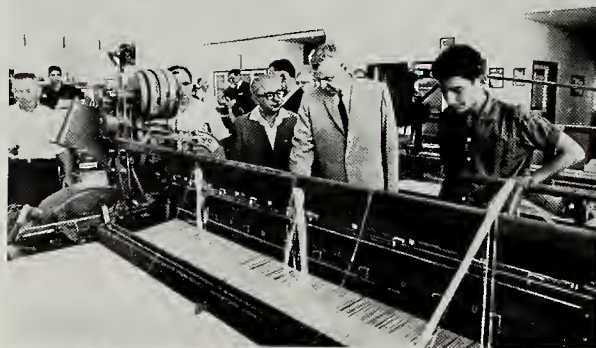


THEY WANT TO WORK but if there are no jobs for them the young men — the lifeblood of Israel's development towns — will leave. The Jewish Agency strives to bring more industries to areas that lack employment opportunities. Your dollars support the Agency's many-faceted absorption programs.

Twenty years ago, following Hitler's defeat, your support helped a million and three-quarter refugees to begin life again in Israel and other lands of freedom. Today, thousands from distressed countries in Asia, Africa and Europe need your help to get to a place they can call home.

Won't you help?

There is no one else!



RT. HON. JOHN G. DIEFENBAKER visits textile vocational training school built by the Canadian Histadrut Campaign in Petach Tikvah.



THE NEW GENERATION READS FOR THE OLD. At least a third of the adult population in Israel's development towns — largely from backward Moslem lands — is illiterate in any language. Funds from our campaign will help achieve what Premier Levi Eshkol asks: "An educated and cultured country."



NEW SKILLS are learned by these children in happy, secure surroundings at Hadassim, one of the important schools supported by Canadian Youth Aliyah funds.



THIS BADLY-NEEDED HOSPITAL in Eilat was built by the Canadian Histadrut Campaign. It is dedicated to the memory of the late Moishe Dickstein.





**THE CREAM OF THE CROP** are Israel's 137,000 hardworking farm settlers who produce half the country's agricultural products. Unfortunately, they must still wait for the tools, livestock, technical and financial assistance they need to make the farms pay. This must be supplied by the Jewish Agency with funds from campaigns like ours throughout the free world.



**THE LOCALE IS CASABLANCA** but it could be anywhere in the world where ORT conducts one of 600 training courses for 40,000 students. Result: higher wages and brighter futures for the young and a chance to learn updated trades for adult immigrants with obsolete skills. ORT receives a subvention from the J.D.C./U.J.R.A. out of funds in our campaign.



**TENDER, LOVING CARE** combined with modern medical know-how makes life worth living for more than 50,000 aged, ill or handicapped immigrants for whom JDC-Mailen maintains its remarkable network of institutions. Israel's "Open Door" immigration policy makes such a rehabilitation program essential but costly. Our campaign proceeds will help the JDC pay the bill.



**BIG FAMILIES, SMALL HOUSES** make for crowded living in Israel's development towns. Underhousing is one of the most pressing problems which the Jewish Agency must try to meet with funds from our Combined Israel and Overseas Appeal. In Canada, the Zionist Organization of Canada is the agent of the Keren Hayesod — United Israel Appeal.



**TRAINING IN A FIRE-FIGHTING SQUAD** is part of the program at a youth centre in one of Israel's 21 development towns. Constructive activities are sorely needed in most of these dreary towns to keep youngsters out of mischief. Funds are desperately needed to expand these activities.



**THE SHIP NEARS HAIFA HARBOUR** and three generations of an immigrant family eagerly view their new homeland. Life in Israel is full of promise for them — if they can be speedily integrated into the country's economy. They need help to get started and our campaign must be there to answer the call.